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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.85, and in accordance with the requirement in the Notice of Allowability dated March 27, 2001, applicants herewith furnish six (6) sheets of new formal drawings, to be substituted for the six (6) sheets of formal drawings previously filed in the above-identified patent application.

Included with the Notice of Allowability was a Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review From PTO 948,

dated March 26, 2001, indicating an objection under Item 10 ("Character of Lines, Numbers and Figures") to FIGS. 7-9. The Primary Examiner, Mr. Victor R. Kostak, was contacted on June 12, 2001 to discuss the drafting comments. The Primary Examiner indicated that the fading concept of the transparency, as depicted in FIGS. 7-9, was integral to the invention and he did not see a need for a drawing change. He directed that contact be made with the Drawing Review Branch to discuss the issue. Copies of the previously submitted formal drawings were sent to the drawing review branch and, on June 20, 2001, Ms. Bridget B. Gray, Chief Draftsperson, Drawing Review Branch, indicated that the drawings as previously submitted were acceptable. Nonetheless, to comply with the Notice of Allowability, Applicants submit herewith a set of new formal drawings which are identical to the previously submitted set, which have been deemed to be acceptable.

Respectfully submitted,



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